

Mexico and Prime Minister Paul Martin of Canada in Texas on March 23.

#### **March 4**

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister-designate Jose Socrates of Portugal to congratulate him on his party's February 20 election victory. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Newark, NJ, where, upon arrival at Newark Liberty International Airport, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer John Herrmann. He then traveled to Westfield, NJ.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to South Bend, IN, where, upon arrival at South Bend Regional Airport, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Lucy Kuminecz. He then traveled to Notre Dame, IN.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Bertie Ahern of Ireland to the White House on March 17.

The President announced his intention to nominate David Garman to be Under Secretary of Energy.

The President announced his intention to nominate Christopher R. Hill to be Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate Anthony J. Principi to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission and, upon confirmation, to designate him as Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate Rudolph E. Boschwitz for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative on the Human Rights Commission of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

The President announced his intention to designate E. Timothy Oppelt as Acting Assistant Administrator for Research and Development at the Environmental Protection Agency.

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### **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

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#### **Submitted February 28**

William Cobey,  
of North Carolina, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring May 30, 2010, vice John Paul Hammerschmidt, term expired.

Linda Morrison Combs,  
of North Carolina, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget, vice Linda M. Springer.

John C. Dugan,  
of Maryland, to be Comptroller of the Currency for a term of 5 years, vice John D. Hawke, Jr., resigned.

Christopher J. Hanley,  
of Maryland, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2006, vice George J. Kourpias, term expired.

Nancy Ann Nord,  
of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for the remainder of the term expiring October 26, 2005, vice Mary Sheila Gall, resigned.

Nancy Ann Nord,  
of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of 7 years from October 27, 2005 (reappointment).

Jeffrey Clay Sell,  
of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, vice Kyle E. McSlarrow, resigned.

**Submitted March 1**

Brian Edward Sandoval,  
of Nevada, to be U.S. District Judge for the  
District of Nevada, vice Howard D.  
McKibben, retired.

**Submitted March 4**

Rudolph E. Boschwitz,  
of Minnesota, for the rank of Ambassador  
during his tenure of service as Representa-  
tive of the United States of America on the  
Human Rights Commission of the Economic  
and Social Council of the United Nations.

David Garman,  
of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Energy,  
vice Robert Gordon Card, resigned.

Christopher R. Hill,  
of Rhode Island, to be an Assistant Secretary  
of State (East Asian and Pacific Affairs), vice  
James Andrew Kelly, resigned.

Anthony Joseph Principi,  
of California, to be a member of the Defense  
Base Closure and Realignment Commission  
(new position).

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**Checklist  
of White House Press Releases**

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The following list contains releases of the Office  
of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as  
items nor covered by entries in the Digest of  
Other White House Announcements.

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**Released February 26**

Statement by the Press Secretary on the ter-  
rorist attack in Tel Aviv, Israel

**Released February 28**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-  
retary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on the up-  
coming visit of Cardinal Nasrallah Boutros  
Sfeir, the Maronite Patriarch of Antioch and  
all the East

**Released March 1**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-  
retary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by Office of  
Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Di-  
rector Jim Towey on the President's an-  
nouncements regarding the Faith-Based and  
Community Initiatives

Fact sheet: Compassion in Action: Producing  
Real Results for Americans Most in Need

**Released March 2**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-  
retary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster  
assistance to Alabama

Fact sheet: Better Training for Better Jobs

**Released March 3**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-  
retary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on the up-  
coming visit of Mexican President Vicente  
Fox and Canadian Prime Minister Paul Mar-  
tin

**Released March 4**

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Sec-  
retary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of  
Taoiseach Bertie Ahern

Announcement of nomination for Adminis-  
trator of the Environmental Protection Agen-  
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**Acts Approved  
by the President**

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NOTE: No acts approved by the President were  
received by the Office of the Federal Register  
during the period covered by this issue.